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COMING EVENTS



"Concert of Love"

**Sunday, February 16, 2003
6:30 p.m.**



at St. John's United Methodist Church, 1207 Peabody Avenue
Concert by combined choirs of Asbury, St. Luke's and St. John's
to benefit Church Health Center

UMW Sunday!

On February 23, the United Methodist Women will lead us in worship. Come see and hear about the wonderful things the UMW does in the areas of service and mission. St. Luke's has a proud heritage of women who have served and who currently serve in many capacities within the church, giving support to both local and foreign missions. Assisting with the service will be **Gwynne McKenzie, Virginia Hathorn, Glenda Turner, Judy Green, Carla Taylor,** and **Mary Sanford Myatt. April Carpenter** will bring the message. Special music will be provided by a women's ensemble. Before the service, all UMW members should pick up a badge from one of the ushers.

SPORTS SUNDAY - March 2, 2003



PASTOR'S EPISTLE

In his book Bread for the Journey, Henri Nouwen writes:

As fearful people we are inclined to develop a mind-set that makes us say, "There's not enough food for everyone, so I better be sure I save enough for myself in case of emergency," or "There's not enough knowledge for everyone to enjoy; so I'd better keep my knowledge to myself, so no one else will use it," or "There's not enough love to give to everybody, so I'd better keep my friends for myself to prevent others from taking them away from me. This is a scarcity mentality. It involves hoarding whatever we have, fearful that we won't have enough to survive. The tragedy, however, is that what you cling to ends up rotting in your hands.

The opposite of a scarcity mentality is an abundancy mentality. With an abundancy mentality we say, "There is enough for everyone, more than enough: food, knowledge, love ... everything." With this mind-set we give away whatever we have, to whomever we meet... When we live with this mind-set, we will see the miracle that what we give away multiplies: food, knowledge, love ... everything. There will even be many leftovers. ...Jolinne

St. Luke's member, **Helen Allison**, has donated a copy of her latest book, Flowers From Hattie's Garden, to the St. Luke's library. Helen is well-known in the area as a poet and storyteller. *Thank you, Helen, and congratulations on your latest publication.*

IS YOUR FACE ON THE WORLD WIDE WEB? GO TO ST. LUKE'S HOME PAGE AND CLICK ON "ST. LUKE'S FACES" EVERY WEEK WE WILL FEATURE 5-6 NEW PICTURES. YOU MIGHT BE ON THE WWW.

Eric Wesley, a faithful college-aged member of our congregation, is traveling on a mission trip to Guatemala with the Wesley Foundation from Middle Tennessee State University over Spring Break. He is in need of some financial help to get him there! If you would like to make a contribution for this mission trip, please make out a check payable to "Wesley Foundation" and turn in to **Beth Ryan** by Monday, February 17.

REMEMBER ST. LUKE'S IN YOUR WILL.

AN INVITATION to the February 15th wedding of **Christina Wofford** has been received and is posted on the downstairs bulletin board.

RADIO BROADCAST MINISTRY NEEDS SPONSORS

If you would like to sponsor one of our weekly radio broadcasts in honor or memory of someone, please contact **Candy Williams**. The cost is \$250.00. Thank you for your support of this ministry.

THE FINANCE COMMITTEE monthly meeting will be held Tuesday, **February 18th**, 7:00 p.m., Library.

MEMPHIS CONFERENCE HISTORICAL SOCIETY MEETING

Saturday, February 22, 10:00 A.M.
Bartlett UMC, 5676 Stage Road,

The focus of the meeting will be on the early history of Methodism in the northern part of Shelby County. A Dutch-treat lunch will be brought in and afterwards there will be a tour of the new facilities at Bartlett UMC and the Bartlett-Ellendale Cemetery.

Membership is open to all and you are invited to bring a friend to their regional meetings. There are currently 37 members and **Janice Watlington** is an officer in the Society (Corresponding Secretary).

William P. Bailey, Jr., Kent & Patsy Bailey, Sherri Stephens, Virginia Eleazer, and April Carpenter signed up this week to receive their *Epistle* off the St. Luke's website. This brings our total to 61 individuals/families who have made this request.

Care to join the E-PISTLE group? E-mail me at Candy.Williams@stlukesumc.org



MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

THIRD SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH
DURING ADULT FELLOWSHIP

9:15 - 9:45 a.m., CLC Lounge

sponsored by *The Newman Class*

We will kick off our Ministry Spotlight

February 16 with **Kim Greenfield,**

Director of our After School Challengers Program

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR MARDI GRAS!

Our Mardi Gras Celebration will be on Wednesday, February 26, from 5:45-7:20. *Come for a great time with your church family over a great meal and games!*



Rhodes College Music Academy

We have had an excellent response to the opportunity for private piano, violin and guitar lessons at St. Luke's. In fact, Rhodes has added a second piano teacher. If you or anyone you may know is looking for a great piano teacher call The Music Academy at 843-3773. There are also a few time slots still available for violin and guitar.

Music Schedule

Monday, February 10
 UMW Ensemble 4 p.m.

Wednesday, February 12
 All Childrens Choirs 6:30 p.m.
 Chancel Choir 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, February 15
 Chancel Choir 10-Noon St. Johns

Sunday, February 16
 Voices of Victory Rehearsal 9:45 a.m.
 All Childrens Choirs meet in rooms 10:30 a.m.
 Wesley Bells 12:15 p.m.

Monday, February 17
 UMW Ensemble 4 p.m.

Wednesday, February 19
 Children's Choirs 6:30 p.m.
 Chancel Choir 7:30 p.m.

REGISTRATION FORMS for Summer 2003 camps at Lakeshore are available at the Reception Desk. Register early as camps can fill up quickly!

CALLING ALL WOMEN! Time is running out! Women of Faith Conference is March 14-15. We need to register as a GROUP to get the group rate & order T-shirts! Call me with your reservation or questions. **Patty**, 246-2662.



KID'S CORNER

Angel List!

2/16/03 - PSR: **Mary Beth Hall & CAN YOU HELP?**

10:50 Service: There will be **NO Children's Church** this week. Ages 3-5 may leave half way through the service to go to the pre-school room.

Do you want to help in the Children's Department? Several opportunities are available! Paint new scene/scripture at the end of the halls... Help build new Boo Out games... Make folders for worship for upper elementary kids... Sub on Sunday mornings... Rock babies in the nursery... Restock Quiet Bags... Be a Pre-school or Children's Church helper... If you feel called, we have a place for you!

New E-mail! Patty.Wall@stlukesumc.org

...Ms. Patty

YOUTH NEWS

Hello! Here's what's on the schedule this week:

Sun., Feb. 16th - 9:30-10:30 - Sunday School

4:00 - Puppets

5:00 - L.O.T.S. (working on skits for Smorgasbord)

6:00-8:00 - Dinner & Youth Activities

Wed., Feb. 19th - 5:45 - Dinner

6:30-7:20 - Basketballs & Bibles

I'm praying for you guys.

..Beth

SPORTS SHORTS from The Jack H. Henton

Christian Life Center/Sports Ministry

We would like to acknowledge our Adult Teams. The 30 and Under Team is coached by Robert Blevins and myself. The teams consists of Rockie Elliston, Jason Smith, Jasper Love, Andrew Crowder, Alvin Abston, C.T. Thomas, Jarvis Robinson, Jonathan Pennington and Andre Mitchell.

The 30 and Over Team is coached by John Chick and me. Those team members are Scott Sanford, Sheldon Dacus, Kurt Brown, Darren Raybourn, Matt Green, David Deas, Ken Lacey, Bryan Wenger, Lee Stevens, Tarris Greer, Travis Crawford, Sam Crout, Greg McKnight and Mark Wofford.

Our outstanding Women's Team is led by Diane Chick. Those members are Ginger Childress, Ivory Hassel, Shonte Hunt, Clara Jackson, Marilyn Ridgell, Carol Rogers and Keenta Matthews.

We appreciate all these adults do in representing St. Luke's.

Baseball signups Feb. 10-14. Call me for info.

SPORTS SUNDAY SIGNUPS continue either at the CLC lobby desk or Reception Desk. Please sign up so we can get a head count for Ms. Shirley's FRIED CHICKEN and FIXINS'.

REMEMBER HIM ALWAYS. ... Coach Day

UMW SUBGROUP MEETINGS

Tuesday, February 18

NAOMI, Mary Lou Cushing, leader, will meet in Room 310 (*Christian Homebuilders Classroom*) at 7:00 pm.

ELIZABETH, Helen Rosebrough, leader, will meet in the Parlor at 10:30 a.m.

PRISCILLA, Ellie Appling, leader, will meet at 1669 Tamarack Lane (*home of Mary Evelyn Goodwin*) at 12:30 p.m.

SARAH, Eleanor New, leader, will meet at 3567 Philwood (*home of Betty Carter*) at 12:30 p.m.

RUTH, Margaret Williams, leader, will meet at 42 E. Chickasaw Cove (*home of Oneita Evans*), at 10:30 a.m.

CHURCH CALENDAR

SUNDAY, February 16, 2003

8:30 and 10:50 am – Worship Service (Sanctuary) - (Puppet Certificates presented)
9:00 - 11:00 am - Library Open (211)
9:00 – 9:30 am - Blood Pressure Check (First Aid room)
9:15 - 9:45 am – Adult Coffee Fellowship (CLC)
9:35 am - Sunday School
9:45 am – Voices of Victory rehearsal
10:30 – 10:50 am – Blood Pressure Check (First Aid room)
12:15 – Wesley Bells
4:00 pm – Puppets (Puppet Room)
5:00 pm – L.O.T.S.
5:30 pm – Vans leave for Concert of Love at St. John's
5:30 pm – Youth Dinner & Meeting (3rd floor & CLC)
6:30 pm – Concert of Love (St. John's)
8:00 pm – Young Adult Gathering (CLC Lounge)

MONDAY, February 17

3:00 – 6:00 pm – Rhodes Music Academy Lessons (CLC 103)
4:00 pm - UMW Ensemble Rehearsal
5:30 pm – 9-10 Boys Basketball Practice (CLC Gym)
7:00 pm – 15-16 Boys Basketball Practice (CLC Gym)
7:00 pm – Coin Club (106)

TUESDAY, February 18

9:00 am – Chair Aerobics (CLC Gym)
10:30 am – UMW Elizabeth (Parlor)
12:30 pm – UMW Rachel (Parlor)
3:00 – 6:00 pm – Rhodes Music Academy Lessons (CLC 103)
5:00 pm – 9-10 Girls Basketball Practice (CLC Gym)
6:00 pm – UMW #11 (Parlor)
6:00 pm – 7-8 Boys Basketball
6:30 pm – Cub Scouts (Children's Building)
7:00 pm – UMW Naomi (Room 310)
7:00 pm – Finance Committee Meeting (Library)
7:00 pm – 11-12 Boys Basketball Practice (CLC Gym)
7:00 pm – Boy Scout Troop 40 (CLC)
8:00 pm – 30 & Under Basketball Practice (CLC Gym)

WEDNESDAY, February 19

6:45 am – Men's Prayer Breakfast (FH)
3:00 – 6:00 pm – Rhodes Music Academy Lessons (CLC 103)
5:45 pm – Winter Wednesday Dinner (FH)
6:30 pm – Bible Study
 Quilting Instruction (CLC Lounge)
 Basketball & Bibles (CLC)
 Children's Choirs
7:30 pm – Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
7:30 pm – 17-18 Boys Basketball Practice (CLC Gym)

THURSDAY, February 20

9:00 am – Chair Aerobics (CLC Gym)
3:00 – 6:00 pm – Rhodes Music Academy Lessons (CLC 103)
5:30 pm – 11-12 Girls Basketball Practice (CLC Gym)
7:00 pm – Adult League Games (CLC Gym)

FRIDAY, February 21 - CHURCH OFFICES/CLC CLOSED

6:30-8:00 pm – 11-12 Boys Basketball Practice (Chick) (CLC Gym)

SATURDAY, February 22

9:00 – 10:15 am – Junior Jammers (CLC Gym)
12:00 noon – 6:00 pm – Youth League Games (CLC Gym)
4:30 pm – Soup Kitchen (Martha – CLC)

SUNDAY PULPIT

February 16, 2003

SERMON: “More Than Enough”

Rev. Jolinne Balentine, Preaching

SCRIPTURE: Matthew 6:25-34

MUSIC:

8:30 & 10:50 will feature our puppet ministry
10:50 Cherubs, Jubilate & Choristers will sing
 Anthem: “God Is Able”
 Chancel Choir; James Hyter, solo

ACOLYTE REMINDER

February 16 Shakeva Dorsey and
 Hallie Rose

February 23 Scott Fesmire and
 Shiateva Dorsey

RADIO BROADCAST - WREC 600 AM

Sunday, February 16, 2003, 8:00 a.m.

Given in honor of:

Carol Knodel

Members of Loyalty-Fellowship Class

Dr. Joe Anderson

Dr. Eugene McKenzie

by

Ebb and Lenita Deaton

RECORD OF LOYALTY - FEB. 9, 2003

Attendance

Church School				<u>242</u>
Worship	8:30	<u>100</u>	10:50	<u>325</u> <u>425</u>

2003 Pledge Update

Budget amt. rec.	\$7,951.00
Vision to Victory	\$491.50

ST. LUKE'S STAFF

W. Kent Bailey and Jolinne Balentine, Ministers
Beth Ryan, Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries
Patty Wall, Director of Children's Ministries
Marcy Mittelstadt, Director of Music Ministries
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